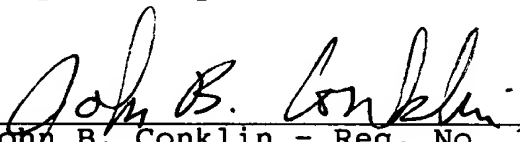


In paragraph 18 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that copies of the references cited in the February 3, 1988 Information Disclosure Statement were not included with the statement. To correct this oversight, applicant is submitting under separate cover copies of the documents identified in the February 3, 1988 Statement.

Also in paragraph 18 of the Office Action, the Examiner requires applicant to "supply the dates of the references which were requested by the Examiner, but not provided by the applicant in his last response." Applicant understands this requirement to be directed to the references identified as AZ, BA, BB, BO, BS and BT set forth on the Form PTO-1449 accompanying the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement dated November 20, 1987. Applicant has further investigated these references but was unable to identify specific publication dates. From applicant's study of these references, they do not appear to be of particular relevance. For example, reference BO are specification sheets for a general use microprocessor-based circuit board. Although applicant notes these references have been considered by the Examiner, if the lack of a precise date continues to be a problem, it is recommended that they not be officially made of record.

Signed at Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois this 7th day of July, 1988.

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